

**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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<b>Applicants:</b>	P. Soares et al.	§
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<b>Examiner:</b>	T.V. Nguyen	§
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<b>Art Unit:</b>	1751	§
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<b>Title:</b>	Method Of Achieving A	§
	Permanent "Stone Wash"	§
	Effect On Textile Fibre	§
	Materials	§

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION MAILED APRIL 11, 2007**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this response, with requests for continued examination and a two (2) month extension of time, to the Office Communication mailed April 11, 2007. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and allowance of the claims pending in this application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.